



DANGER THREATENS PEACE

"On to Pekin" May Become the Slogan.

JAPAN MAY RENEW FIGHTING

Japan May Decline a Further Postponement of the Negotiations. May Not Wait Mr. Foster's Arrival. Suspicious of Chinese Good Faith.

By Southern Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, January 2.—Danger threatens the peace negotiations between China and Japan, and from present indications it is exceedingly probable that the hostilities may be renewed with even greater vigor, and the cry of "On to Pekin" once more become the slogan of the Japanese forces.

Despite a prevailing belief to the contrary, it is not unlikely that the Japanese government will decline to make further postponement of the actual commencement of the negotiations in order to await the arrival of Mr. John W. Foster, the Chinese advisory council, and it is improbable that arrangements for the settlement of the dispute will have been completed before Mr. Foster reaches his destination.

Mr. Foster will sail from Vancouver on January 6th, providing he is not snow-bound, and is due in Yokohama January 19th or 20th. Two days will give him ample time to reach Hiroshima, so that the Chinese cannot ask for a postponement after the 22d instant. The two Chinese ambassadors of peace are due in Shanghai on January 6th and expect to reach Hiroshima on the 9th, and the probability is that they will be asked to begin the negotiations without delay.

The danger that threatens the settlement, which has seemed such a certainty, will arise at this point, for the Japanese government will refuse, without doubt, to agree to any temporizing on the plea that Mr. Foster has not arrived, and the Chinese Ambassadors cannot proceed without his assistance.

It may be stated with some degree of positiveness that a direct declaration by the Chinese Ambassadors to begin the negotiations until Mr. Foster reaches Hiroshima will result in positive disagreement, and the breaking off of the overtures, which will place the possibilities for peace farther away than ever and cause the Japanese forces to push their way with greater vigor toward the Chinese capital. In that event nothing short of the fall of Pekin is likely to put an end to hostilities.

It has been known for some time that the Japanese government is suspicious of the good faith of their enemies in the overtures for a suspension of the war. First came the Detring affair, in which Dr. Detring was sent to Japan ostensibly for the purpose of making terms of peace, but really armed only with "a letter from the Chinese Court," to use his own expression, directing him to make "inquiry" into the prospects for a settlement.

When Mr. Detring's mission failed, the overtures on which the present negotiations are based, were made by China to Japan through Mr. Denby, the American Minister at Peking, and Mr. Dunn, the American Minister at Tokio, Japan expressed a willingness to treat with China, if the Peking government would send an Ambassador, duly accredited and armed with full power to negotiate a peace treaty.

To this the Chinese government sent an answer that it could hardly agree to such a proposition until it knew the basis upon which the Japanese wished the arrangement for peace to be made.

Already inclined to look with suspicion on the Chinese professions of good faith, the Japanese government found in this answer ample confirmation of its growing belief that the Chinese government was attempting to ascertain what their enemies would seek to exact from them as indemnity, in order to be prepared with arguments to secure a modification, and it was for this reason that Viscount Mutsu, the Japanese Minister of Foreign Affairs, declined to have further dealings with Peking on the subject until the peace ambassador was appointed.

After some delay China appointed not one, but two envoys, and it was thought the negotiations would begin in a very short time. But a few days ago the appointment of Mr. Foster was announced as counsel to the Chinese Ambassadors, and it is believed that the Chinese envoys will ask Viscount Mutsu to suspend the commencement of actual negotiations until Mr. Foster has arrived at the place of meeting.

The Japanese Peace Commissioners are not likely to give any formal recognition to Mr. Foster. He certainly will not be allowed to attend the sittings of the commission, provided he arrives at Hiroshima before the business is concluded, and if it

quent requests for adjournment are made by the two Chinese envoys in order that they may consult with him, the Japanese commissioners will probably refuse to proceed further unless these requests cease.

WAR NOTES.

NEW YORK, January 2.—A Herald special cable dispatch from Shanghai says: After defeating Gen. Sung at Neu Chwang, the Japanese continued their march, without occupying the foreign settlement of the city. This they did in deference to the wishes expressed by the Foreign Consuls at Neu Chwang, Gen. Sung barely escaped being made a prisoner.

One hundred breech loading field guns and several thousand new rifles have reached Tien Tsin overland from Chin King. They are destined for the equipment of Wei Taching's troops at Shau Hai Kwang.

A serious rebellion is raging at Kinchow to the north of the Gulf of Pechili. Total Tan has been dispatched with 2,000 of Li Hung Chang's troops to quell the insurrection.

The Censor, An Wei Tsun, together with ten other officials of high rank, recently impeached the Empress Dowager on the charge of using undue influence upon public affairs. An Wei Tsun has since been punished for his temerity. A fortnight ago the Empress Dowager caused forty lashes each to be given to two of the imperial concubines, sisters, named respectively Chin and Chen, for the offence of offering their advice to the Emperor.

LONDON, January 2.—The Central News correspondent in Shanghai telegraphs: "The Chinese Government continues its negotiations here with Europeans for money and munitions of war. Maxim, Nordenfled and Krupp have been approached for arms, but the results are not known."

A HORRIBLE STORY.

An Old Man Gives a Boy \$200 to Commit a Murder.

By Southern Associated Press.

MEDORA, N. D., January 2.—A horrible story was told last night to the coroner's jury concerning the death of Ed Severson, who was shot at Mark Wadsworth's ranch December 21st. Fred Boehma, a bright 16-year-old boy, who has been in custody for several days, suspected of the murder, has made a partial confession to Clerk of the Court Foley. Before the coroner's jury he made a clean breast of it, and said his employer, Wadsworth, took him at early dawn to the barn and promised him \$200 to shoot Severson. He told him when to pull the trigger and the deed was done. The story was dramatic and told by the boy accurately and clearly, but he burst into tears when the climax was reached. Wadsworth himself followed the boy and denied the whole story. Wadsworth is partially paralyzed, and the boy says the old man could not pull the trigger himself. The prosecution believes it has found a motive in the claim that Wadsworth owed Severson money. Wadsworth is under arrest on the charge of murder.

Concerning Letter Carriers.

By Southern Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, January 2.—First Assistant Postmaster General Jones has issued an important notice to postmasters at free delivery offices, which directly concerns carriers. Among the specifications of the order is one prohibiting carriers from remaining at their desks or in the working room of the office during any interval or "swing" between trips or during the dinner intervals, nor must they remain in the post-office after reporting from the last trip of the day. The performance of clerical work by carriers is absolutely prohibited, while among other provisions of the order is one that men detailed exclusively in collection service should not be allowed to enter the work room of the office except to deposit their collections.

Skated into Death State.

By Southern Associated Press.

DETROIT, O., January 2.—On the Maumee river, just east of this city, last night Henry Clemens, aged 26, and Miss Lillie Diels, aged 21, were skating on the ice near the Independence dam when they skated into an open space. There were no witnesses to the drowning, but several girls who were skating near heard a cry and splash and hurried to the spot saw a broken piece in the thin coating of ice, which covered the open space. They gave the alarm, and in less than a half hour the two bodies were taken from the water. The young couple were to be married in the near future.

A Valuable Cheat.

TACOMA, WASH.—"I have used your Simmons Liver Regulator and can conscientiously say it is the King of all Liver Medicines. I consider it a medicine chest in itself."—Geo. W. Jackson. Your druggist sells it in a powder or liquid; the powder to be taken dry, or made into a tea.

FOR NEBRASKA SUFFERERS

Active Preparations to Send of Southern Plenty.

TELEGRAM TO GOVERNOR

Mr. Edmonds States the Situation to Nebraska's Chief Executive. Railroads Will Carry Contributions Free. Half Dozen Car Loads.

By Southern Associated Press.

BALTIMORE, January 2.—The suggestion made last week by Mr. R. H. Edmonds, of this city, that the South, which had an abundant corn crop last year, should ship a full train load of corn and meat to the farmers of Nebraska, who are suffering because of the shortage of the corn crop, has met with a very quick response throughout the country.

In inaugurating this movement Mr. Edmonds telegraphed to the Governor of Nebraska as follows:

"In view of the distress reported among some of the farmers of Nebraska by reason of the short corn crop, and in view of the abundant crops of the South, I have suggested the desirability of the people of the South uniting to send at least a trainload of corn and provisions to Nebraska for distribution to those in want."

"I did not mean to intimate in making this suggestion that the people of Nebraska are not able to care for those who are in want in their own State, but it seemed to me that the time was opportune for the South to utilize such an opportunity as this to show to the world its appreciation of the blessings it has received in an abundant crop last year, its appreciation of the liberality with which the North and West have ever met every call from the South for help in time of need, and also an appropriate occasion in which to put into effect forces that would help to unite our entire country, obliterate all sectional lines and show that we are one people. As a Southern man, and yet above and beyond that, an American, I believe this effort to the South in extending relief to the West would prove the truth that 'it is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

"I have requested Gov. Northern, of Georgia, and he has consented to take charge of the matter and to gather in Atlanta whatever contributions may be offered for the purpose of making up this train load to be shipped West."

In response to this telegram Gov. Crouse, of Nebraska, wired Mr. Edmonds that the proposed donation will be thankfully received, and that on behalf of those for whom the generous contribution is intended he desired to express his appreciation and also of the motive prompting the suggestion of such a contribution from the South.

The movement has been taken hold of actively in the South. All Southern railroads have wired their willingness to handle contributions free. The Georgia Southern and Florida and the Seaboard Air Line have each wired offering, in addition to carrying shipments free, to contribute a carload of material, and active preparations are being made for getting together enough to fill at least a road train. Vice-President Baldwin, of the Southern Railway, wired Mr. Edmonds yesterday that President Spencer has authorized all the agents of that line to accept contributions and has arranged to give the use of one of the two freight depots in Atlanta for consolidating all shipments there.

In a letter received yesterday Gov. Northern states that he thinks he will be able to secure at least half a dozen car loads of goods from Georgia alone. The work of organization in other parts of the South is proceeding as rapidly as possible.

One of the first telegrams received in response to the suggestion was from Hon. Hoke Smith, Secretary of the Interior, who said: "I cordially commend your plan for sending corn and meat to Western Nebraska. Southern farmers have raised more of both this year than their section will need. I hope your suggestion may be executed."

This movement, inaugurated in Baltimore, has attracted universal attention, not simply as an illustration of the fact that the South has this year been able, by reason of its immense production of corn and meat, to contribute liberally to the needs of those who are suffering because of the great drought in Nebraska, but as a kindly expression of the friendly interest that is uniting all parts of the country and obliterating the sectional lines that so long separated the South and the West.

Did you ever have \$1,000 in your pocket at one time? You can have it if one particle of cocaine can be found in "The Newest Discovery" for ext. of teeth, no pain. N. Y. Dental Rooms only, 162 Main street, Kansas. Enns.

NATIONAL FINANCES.

Bids for Atlanta Exposition Building. Howgate Trial.

WASHINGTON, January 2.—Bids were opened at the Treasury Department today for the construction of the Atlanta (Ga.) Exposition building. There were twenty bids, ranging from \$59,917 to \$27,446, the latter, that of N. W. McAfee, of Atlanta, Ga., being the lowest. He will probably be awarded the contract.

Judge McComas today heard arguments on the question whether the three new indictments found against Capt. Howgate, ex-Chief of the Signal Service, for forgery and embezzlement, are barred by the statute of limitations. No decision was reached.

The withdrawals of gold from the New York sub-Treasury to-day for shipment to Europe aggregate \$1,500,000. This reduces the gold reserve in the Treasury to \$81,000,000 in round numbers.

The debt statement issued this afternoon shows a net increase in the public debt, less cash in the Treasury during December, 1894, of \$41,320,776. The interest bearing debt increased \$10,025,100; non-interest bearing debt increased \$123,550, and the cash in the Treasury increased \$8,829,974.

The balances of the several classes of debt at the close of business December 31st, were: Interest bearing debt, \$679,163,180.

Debt on which interest has ceased since maturity, \$1,825,809; debt bearing no interest, \$383,217,345, total, \$1,064,241,275.

The certificates and treasury notes offset by an equal amount of cash in the Treasury outstanding at the end of the month were \$590,134,104, a decrease of \$16,139,792.

The total cash in the Treasury was \$782,754,289. The gold reserve was \$86,244,445. Net cash balance \$67,093,195. In the month there was a decrease in gold coin and bars of \$24,744,114, the total at the close being \$139,608,854. Of silver there was a decrease of \$767,001. Of the surplus there was in National Bank depositories \$16,197,719, against \$16,729,473 at the end of the preceding month.

Foreigners Riot.

By Southern Associated Press.

HAZLETON, Pa., Jan. 2.—A riot between Magyars and Slavonians took place at Shepperton last night, in which one man was fatally injured, a dozen others dangerously injured and two women stabbed. Their names are Joseph Handyska, fatally stabbed in the abdomen; Mrs. Andrew Lefanky, stabbed in the breast; Mrs. Mary Lynola, arm lacerated; Steve Hodak, stabbed in the shoulder; Michael Mandare, skull fractured.

The names of the others are not obtainable. About seventy men were engaged in the riot. The fight started at Hoffman's Hotel, where a number of unfortunates had assembled after a parade attending the Greek Church dedication. The Magyars ridiculed their garb and the fight followed. Fifteen persons are under arrest.

Scissors Shooting.

By Southern Associated Press.

SAVANNAH, January 2.—A Morning News special from Blakely, Ga., says: The election to-day was the occasion of a serious shooting affray at Colquitt, Miller county, in which J. A. Bush on one side and two of the Kambrell brothers on the other were the parties engaged. The trouble grew out of some difference in politics, Bush championing the straight Democratic ticket, and was precipitated by Bush knocking old man Kambrell down. His wounds are expected to prove fatal. The Kambrells escaped without serious injury. The parties are brothers-in-law and prominent in local affairs.

156 Main Street, J. J. Faber, Photographer.

Twelve cabinets and one 16x20 crayon, \$3. Remember, head of Old Market Square.

January Clearing Sale.

Before taking inventory, we will begin Monday, December 31st, to offer the balance of our stock of ladies' and children's cloaks less than cost. Cut prices on dress goods. Winter underwear for ladies, gents and children at greatly reduced prices. Call early if you want some good bargains. Levy Bros., 171 Main street.

We can suit you with fine umbrellas, canes and gloves for New Year presents, at the lowest prices. L. J. Oliver & Co., hatters, 111 Main street.

Laughter Sale of Winter Wraps and Fur Capes.

Brown and black Martin capes worth \$10, sale price \$25; Martin capes worth \$30, sale price, \$19; Persian lamb capes worth \$25, sale price, \$15. Cloth coats and capes at way down prices. R. A. Saunders.

EXCELLENT MILL SHOWING

Standing of the South in Mill Construction.

NORTH CAROLINA LEADS.

Report of the American Wool and Cotton Reporter on Mill Construction. Two Hundred and Sixty-three New Mills for 1894.

By Southern Associated Press.

BOSTON, January 2.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter, in its semi-annual review of mill construction throughout the country, to-morrow will give some interesting data. During the past six months, the improvement in the general business situation has been reflected in no uncertain manner in the undertaking of the construction of a large number of textile plants.

In the first six months of the year 1894 the number of new mills was 118, a wonderful showing considering the condition of the business world. Since the middle of the year the construction of no less than 147 textile plants have been undertaken, an increase of thirty-one as compared with the previous six months.

The record for the year is 263 new mills as against 279 in 1893. The new mills commenced during the first and second halves of the year 1893 are as follows:

Woolen, first six months, 17; second six months, 28; cotton, 43 and 58; knitting, 31 and 38; silk, 13 and 8; felt, 2 and 1; miscellaneous, 10 and 14. Total, 116 for first six months and 147 for second six months.

The Southern States make a very good showing in the number of new mills undertaken during the latter portion of the year. However, New York and Pennsylvania lead with 21 each to their credit. Next comes North Carolina with 16, then South Carolina with 14.

The record by States for the whole is as follows:

New York, 38; Pennsylvania, 36; North Carolina, 26; South Carolina, 23; Georgia, 19; Massachusetts, 15; Maine, 11; Virginia and Rhode Island, 8 each; Texas and Connecticut, 7 each, the remainder being divided among the other States.

ARMENIANS DESPERATE.

Governor of Bitlis Assassinated. Murderer Suicides.

By Southern Associated Press.

LONDON, January 2.—The Morning Post hears from Vienna that Fakhri Pasha, Governor of Bitlis, has been assassinated by an Armenian, who committed suicide before he could be arrested.

Letters from Armenia say that the Armenians are desperate and ready for almost any violence. It is said that the Governor of Esin recently summoned conspicuous Armenians to warn them of a threatened Kurdish attack, and to advise them that they must prepare to defend themselves, as he could do little for them.

The Armenians tried to obtain arms as he advised, but found great difficulty in getting them. The attack was made; the result is not known.

Turkish officials are said to be confiscating letters right and left, hence it is hardly possible to get unbiased accounts of events in Asia Minor. It was announced officially in Constantinople to-day that acting upon information from an Armenian priest the authorities in Moosh had seized a great quantity of revolutionary literature. Three Armenians who attacked the informer have been arrested.

An Apparition of the Virgin.

By Southern Associated Press.

PRAGUE, January 2.—A peasant living near Braunau, Bohemia, recently declared that he had seen an apparition of the Holy Virgin in the Debengrund forest. His story was believed generally outside the town and hundreds went daily to the spot where the Virgin was said to appear.

To-day several thousand persons made the pilgrimage. They were met in the forest by a crowd of scolders who ridiculed the peasants' story and eventually provoked the pilgrims to violence. A riot followed. Gendarmes sent out from Braunau were unable to restore peace. After several charges they fired into the throng.

Although ten men were wounded the two mobs continued fighting. Several hundred turned on the gendarmes eventually and drove them from the forest. Troops have been ordered out to disperse the rioters.

Prof. John H. Powell, principal of the Richmond Female Seminary, Richmond, Va., has given Quatrol a trial. It is only necessary to ask his opinion of it.

If you have failed to be cured by other medicines, try Dr. Reeves' herb remedies. Office, 257 Queen.

COAL OPERATORS.

Resolutions Resisting the Breaking of Prices.

By Southern Associated Press.

PITTSBURGH, January 2.—The railroad coal operators' association of the Pittsburgh district held a meeting to-day and passed the following: "Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that we hold ourselves in readiness at any time to meet those responsible for the breaking down of the scale of prices agreed upon at the Columbus convention, for the purpose of readjusting the price to such a basis as to bring about one price for mining throughout the district. Until such a result is attained the lowest price paid at competing mines must of necessity be the price paid by all the mines of the district."

At the meeting it was shown that the 69 per cent rate had been shattered throughout the district, more than seventeen paying 57 cents a ton, over a dozen paying 60 cents and not a few paying 55 cents. It is altogether probable that on Monday next a majority of the operators will post notices ordering a reduction to 55 cents or lower.

AGAINST DANCING.

Hot Words From Rev. Father Stick, of Illinois.

By Southern Associated Press.

PANA, Ill., January 2.—Rev. Father Stick, who last summer gained notoriety by publicly assailing Protestants, said to his parishioners yesterday: "I have members who will not rent pews because they are too poor, yet they have money to get drunk twice a month. I wish they would get drunk to night and lay out doors and freeze to death. There are members of my congregation who allow their daughters to go to high toned balls and dances in full dress—no dress at all. Only indecent Catholics, Protestants, heretics go to such places."

He said in plainer words that he wished from the bottom of his heart the girls who went to these dances would be ruined and added: "I wish every boy or young man who attends these places would become diseased and rot, and then the creation would soon be exterminated."

Packers Etc. Etc.

By Southern Associated Press.

CHICAGO, January 2.—The packers and shippers of cattle and dressed beef for export in this city were much alarmed to-day to read of the latest embargo action of the European authorities, the closing of Antwerp to American beef. They were indignant and determined to protest against the embargo as an outrage, as well as a vital blow at the cattle raising industry of the country.

They declared that the sugar schedule in the Gorman-Wilson bill was responsible for the closing of the continental ports, and that the pleuro-pneumonia excuse was only a subterfuge. All the live stock exchanges in the West will take concerted action for the purpose of prevailing on Congress to bring about by legislation a removal of the embargoes.

McMillan for Senator.

By Southern Associated Press.

LANSING, Mich., January 2.—The Republicans in Legislative caucus here this evening placed in nomination Senator James McMillan for the long term as United States Senator from Michigan. The nomination means election as there is only one Democrat in the Legislature. The short term nomination will be made to-morrow evening.

Just What You Want.

A large and selected line of umbrellas, canes and gloves for Xmas presents at special low prices from to-day. L. Jack Oliver & Co., hatters, 111 Main street.

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A new lot of gents' calf lined winter tan shoes at \$3. Ask to see the wet weather shoes, the only one of the kind in this market, at M. J. Madden's, 306 Church street, nearly opposite Wood street.

Bananas, apples, oranges, lemons, potatoes, onions, cabbage, pears, etc., at wholesale. Geo. H. Dawes, 110 Water street.

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